PATENT APPLICATION

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For:

TREATMENT OF POULTRY FOR INCREASING THE FEED CONVERSION RATE

OR FOR REDUCING THE INCIDENCE OF ASCITES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. In this regard, Applicants note that a Response to Restriction Requirement is being submitted concurrently herewith.

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